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BOARD DIPLOMA EXAMINATION, (C-14)

APRIL/MAY—2015

DCE—FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION

ENGLISH

Time : 3 hours]

[Total Marks : 80

PART—A

3×10=30

Instructions : (1) Answer **all** questions.

(2) Each question carries **three** marks.

1. Rewrite the following sentences as directed :

(a) I want to use your mobile (request).

(b) Obey the traffic rules (obligation).

(c) Your friend invited for the New Year party (accept invitation).

2. Your friend won one lakh rupees in a lottery. Write how you felt in three sentences.

3. You invited your friend for lunch on Sunday. Give him directions to reach your home from the bus stop.

4. Request the receptionist to fix an appointment with your local MLA to discuss the problems of your polytechnic.

5. Rewrite the following as directed :

(a) He said to his friend, "Please tell me what time it is?"

(Change into indirect speech)

- * (b) The teacher said to the students, "Why were you absent yesterday?"

(Change into indirect speech)

- (c) I told him that if he didn't take the medicine regularly, he would not get well.

(Change into direct speech)

6. Who is your best friend? Write in three sentences why you like him/her and three sentences what you dislike about him/her.

7. Mention any three important reasons for learning English.

8. Change the voice of the following sentences :

(a) He revealed the truth finally.

(b) People will soon forget it.

(c) The rain damaged our roof.

9. Fill in the blanks with suitable form of the verbs given in the brackets :

(a) She — (write) the exam tomorrow.

(b) She — (go) to library everyday.

(c) They — (repair) cars since 9 a.m.

10. Fill in the blanks with suitable prepositions :

(a) Don't be angry — me.

(b) She has a passion — dancing.

(c) She has not replied — my letter.

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PART—B

10×5=50

- Instructions** : (1) Answer **five** questions.
(2) Question No. **18** is compulsory.
(3) Each question carries **ten** marks.

- 11.** Write a paragraph on why you prefer to live in a city.
- 12.** You went to an electronic shop to buy a washing machine. Write five Wh-questions and five Yes/No questions you would ask the shopkeeper.
- 13.** Read the following passage and summarize it :

Long long ago people didn't have rulers to measure things with as we do now. They didn't measure things in inches and centimeters. Instead, they used the parts of the body as units of measurement. They measured something by seeing how many hands long it was or they saw how many fingers thick it was. Another unit of measurement was the length of the forearm, i.e., from the elbow to the tip of the middle finger. Yet another unit of measurement was the length of the foot from the heel to the big toe. Perhaps that is where the unit of measurement—the foot comes from.

There was one problem with the way the people used to measure things, with their arms, hands and feet. Some people have long arms, big feet and wide hands while others have short arms, small feet and narrow hands. This caused a lot of confusion. After all what is one hand long for you cannot be one hand long for your father. So people soon realized that a measurement such as the foot had to be the same all the time. In other words, standard units of measurement or fixed units of measurement for measuring weight, height and length were needed. That is why the units of measurement we use today are based on certain standards. A foot now means exactly the same length (12 inches) for everyone, whatever be the size of their own foot may be.

- 14.** Rewrite the following sentences correcting the underlined words :
- (a) Sudha is one of the cleverest student in her class.

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- * (b) We will drink coffee now.
- (c) If you run fast, you get a prize.
- (d) She ran fastly to reach polytechnic in time.
- (e) I prefer coffee than tea.
- (f) Shiva congratulated Krupal for his success.
- (g) Mamatua is suffering with fever.
- (h) When you will come to Hyderabad?
- (i) He distributed the sweets between forty students.
- (j) It was a blunder mistake.

15. Imagine that you are the Secretary of your College Union. Write a report on the Annual Sports Day conducted in your college.

16. Infoline, Hyderabad requires Web designer with in-depth knowledge of Photoshop, HTML, Flash and PageMaker. Write a resume.

17. Write a letter to the Principal requesting him/her to permit you to participate in the National Conference.

18. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

Statue of Liberty is a colossal sculpture on Liberty Island in New York harbour in the United States. The statue, designed by Frederic Auguste Bartholdi, a French sculptor and dedicated on October 28, 1886 was a gift to the United States from the People of France.

The statue is a robed female figure representing Libertas, the Roman Goddess of Freedom, who bears a torch and a tablet upon which is inscribed the date of American Declaration of Independence July 4, 1776. A broken chain lies at her feet. The statue measures 151 feet one inch from base to torch and 305 feet one inch from ground to torch.

The statue is an icon of freedom and of the United States, a welcoming signal to immigrants arriving from abroad.

* The statue was constructed in France, shipped overseas in crates and assembled on a completed pedestal on what was then called Bedleo's Island. The statue's completion was marked by a parade and dedication ceremony was presided over by the President Grover Cleveland.

Bartholdi studied Architecture in Paris and also served as a Squadron Leader in French-Prussian War in 1870.

So after the establishment of French Republic, the project of building some suitable memorial to show the friendly feeling existing between the Republic of the United States and France was suggested and the French-American Union was established by Edward Laboulay. Bartholdi joined this group and planned to build this monument.

Questions :

- (a) When and where is the Statue of Liberty installed?
- (b) Describe the statue in two or three sentences.
- (c) How did the idea to build the statue originate?
- (d) When did America get independence?
- (e) Pick out the synonyms of the following words from the passage :
 - (i) Symbol
 - (ii) Giant
